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Bob and Sheila Routon Chateau Routon Winery 2700 Omo Ranch Road Somerset, CA 95684

NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY RESOLUTION NO. R5-2003-0106, CHATEAU ROUTON WINERY, EL DORADO COUNTY

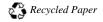
Staff has reviewed your 7 July 2003 addendum Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage under General Waste Discharge Requirements No. R5-2003-0029, the *On-Site Storage and Off-Site Disposal of Wastewater Generated by Commercial Wineries Within the Central Valley Region.* You had previously submitted a \$400 filing fee. Our review finds that the addendum NOI to be complete.

The Discharger operates the Chateau Routon Winery at 2800 Omo Ranch Road in Fairplay, El Dorado County. Based on the amount of wine produced, the Discharger estimates that approximately 43,000 gallons of wastewater will be produced this year. Wastewater will be stored on-site in a tank, and hauled by El Dorado Septic Service to the Western Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant for appropriate disposal. Solid waste will be spread on approximately 20 acres of vineyard.

As you may be aware, on 11 July 2003, the Regional Board rescinded General WDRs Order No. R5-2003-029 and adopted Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 (a copy of which is enclosed). Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 is a conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements for small food processors, including wineries. Based on the information submitted in the NOI, the discharge as described above satisfies the general and specific conditions of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 for the current amount of grapes crushed and wastewater produced. Therefore, this letter serves as formal notice that Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 is applicable and waste discharge requirements for this facility are waived.

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 and the associated monitoring and reporting program. As described therein, an annual report must be submitted by **1 February of each year**. If the method of winery wastewater and solids disposal practices is changed from that described in the NOI, you must submit a new report of waste discharge.

California Environmental Protection Agency



If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to call Scott Kranhold at (916) 255-3389.

--Original Signed By--

THOMAS R. PINKOS Executive Officer

Encl: Resolution No. R5-2003-0106

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